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Examiner

: Tan V. Mai

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RESPONSE TO STATEMENT FOR REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Commissioner:

The Applicant believes the Examiner's stated reasons for allowance in the Office Action dated December 4, 2003, are unnecessary. The record as a whole makes clear the reasons for allowance and therefore a statement by the Examiner is not necessary or warranted. While the Applicant agrees that the claims are allowable, the Applicant does not acquiesce in the stated reasons for allowance, nor that patentability requires each stated feature as expressed by the Examiner.

Respectfully submitted,

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